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SENATE DEMOCRATIC POLICY COMMITTEE TO HEAR FROM THREE WHISTLEBLOWERS ABOUT ABUSES IN IRAQ CONTRACTING AT APRIL 28 HEARING

(WASHINGTON, D.C.) – Three whistleblowers will testify Monday, April 28 before the Senate Democratic Policy Committee (DPC) about widespread and systemic waste, fraud and abuse in Iraq contracting, Chairman Byron Dorgan (D-ND) announced Tuesday.

The hearing will take place at 2:00 PM, in Room 406 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The DPC, established by law in 1947, has conducted a dozen hearings to examine what Dorgan said appears to be "the most significant government waste, fraud and abuse in the nation's history."

Dorgan said stopping the ongoing waste, fraud and abuse in Iraq contracting requires urgent action. The three witnesses at the upcoming DPC hearing will testify about overcharging, double-billing, fraud and theft by U.S. contractors in Iraq. Dorgan believes that the pervasive, unprecedented contracting abuses in Iraq are undermining American troops and costing taxpayers billions of dollars.

Details about the hearing follow:

WHO: <u>Senators</u>: Chairman Byron Dorgan (D-ND), Bob Casey (D-PA), and other

members of the Senate Democratic Policy Committee.

Witnesses: Frank Cassaday, former KBR employee in Iraq; Linda Warren, former

KBR employee in Iraq; Barry Halley, former Worldwide Network Services

(WWNS) and CAPE Environmental employee in Iraq..

WHAT: Oversight hearing on Iraq contracting

WHEN: 2:00 PM, Monday, April 28, 2008

WHERE: 406 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C.

WHY: To receive testimony from whistleblowers about the waste, fraud and abuse they

witnessed in Iraq.